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Application No.: 09/519,563  
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Reply to Office Action of: September 4, 2003

REMARKS

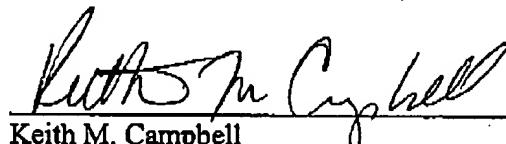
Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2003, Applicants submit the following remarks along with a Request for an Extension of Time of one month.

On June 17, 2003 applicants provisionally elected species A (Figures 2a and 2b) and sub-species1 (Figures 4 and 5) in response to the Restriction Requirement of October 1, 2002. Applicants did not provisionally indicate which claims read on the elected species. A provisional indication of which claims read on the elected species is provided herein.

Applicants provisionally indicate that claims 1-27 read on species A and that claims 1-27 read on claims 1-27. Thus, applicants provisionally indicate that claims 1-27 read on the elected species and sub-species.

Applicants submit that the above remarks are fully responsive to the Office Action of September 4, 2003 and the Restriction Requirement of October 1, 2002. Consideration of the merits of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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